

# **City of Seattle**Seattle Public Utilities

## Central Waterfront CSO Reduction (Basins 70, 71, 72) SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

## **Description of Proposal**

The proposed project would eliminate combined sewer overflows (CSOs) from Outfalls 70 (Washington Street) and 72 (University Street) and would limit CSOs from Outfall 71 (Madison Street) to no more than one per year on average, in accordance with State regulations (WAC [173-245-020(22)] and the City's wastewater consent decree (Civil Action No. 2:13-cv-678, entered in U.S. District Court on July 3, 2013).

## The proposed project includes these elements:

- Install approximately 2,000 lineal feet of new 24 to 36 inch diameter manifolded pipeline and associated fittings and other appurtenances, such as maintenance holes, connecting Basins 70, 71, and 72 along the Central Waterfront;
- Remove the Columbia Street overflow structure (Overflow Structure 71B);
- Remove the combined sewer system connection to Outfall 70;
- Seal overflow structures and abandon-in-place and fill pipes leading exclusively to Outfalls 70 and 72; and
- Install backflow preventers and/or pumps on private property as needed to prevent sewer backups caused by the resulting elevated hydraulic grade line.

#### Proponent

Seattle Public Utilities
Seattle Municipal Tower Suite 4900
P.O. Box 34018
Seattle, WA 98124-4018

#### Location of Proposal

The proposed project would be constructed in improved public street rights-of-way along Alaskan Way between Pike Street and South King Street in the Central Business and Pioneer Square districts of the City of Seattle (zip code 98104). There is no street address for this project. The project location is in the northeast quarter of Section 6, Township 24N, Range 4E; the southeast quarter of Section 31, Township 25N, Range 4E; and within the Duwamish-Green Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA 9).

#### Lead Agency

Seattle Public Utilities, the lead agency for this proposal, has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request. This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen (14) days from the date below.

A copy of the environmental checklist is available at:

- Seattle Public Utilities, Director's Office Main Reception Area, Seattle Municipal Tower, Suite 4900, 700 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington
- Seattle Central Library, Public Review Documents, Level 5 Reference
- On-line at <a href="http://www.seattle.gov/util/Documents/index.htm">http://www.seattle.gov/util/Documents/index.htm</a>

## **Public and Agency Comments**

Comments must be submitted by May 18, 2015 and must be sent to:

Betty Meyer, SEPA Responsible Official Seattle Public Utilities Seattle Municipal Tower, Suite 4900 P.O. Box 34018 Seattle, WA 98124-4018 betty.meyer@seattle.gov

Signature:

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Issue Date: May 4, 2015

### **Appeals**

Appeals of this DNS must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee and must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on May 26, 2015. Delivery of appeals filed by any form of USPS mail service may be delayed by several days. Allow extra time if mailing an appeal.

Written appeals must be sent to:

City of Seattle Hearing Examiner 700 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue Suite 4000 P.O. Box 94729 Seattle, WA 98124-4729

- Appeals can be filed electronically. Details on electronic filing procedures are available under "e-File" at the Office of the Hearing Examiner's web site: http://www.seattle.gov/examiner/
- Filing fees must be paid by the appeal deadline and can be paid via check (made payable to the City of Seattle) or credit/debit card (Visa and MasterCard only). Credit/debit card payments can be made in-person or over-the-phone.

You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Please refer to the Hearing Examiner Rules of Practice and Procedure for rules that govern appeals. These rules are available on the Hearing Examiner's website at www.seattle.gov/examiner/rules-toc.htm or by calling 206-684-0521.

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